Littleton N.H. Oct 15th 1862

W. L. Garrison

Boston Mass - Dear Sir -

I feel compelled by circumstances to ask a favor of you -

I wish information relative to the Freed Man's Association. All such information as may be useful to me, in determining whether to apply to the association for employment by them at Hilton Head -

Perhaps they have pamphlets containing the names of their officers, or managers; the rules governing their proceedings; and the compensation paid their employees -

Not remembering the address, or name, of any member of the association, I feel under

the necessity of troubling you, either to furnish me the names of some members of the association, to whom I can apply for information, or to put me in the way of obtaining it through some other channel

An immense field of labor is opening to the friends of the colored population of the U.S. And though my property is gone, & I have buried a most valuable daughter, of near the age of 25 yrs, a veritable philanthropist, yet Providence may have work for me to do.

Any suggestion from you relative to the affairs at Hilton Head & the vicinity, or any kindred subject, will be most gratefully received.

Should you have occasion to visit this part of the

Country, It would give me & my family very great pleasure, to receive you at my house. Your early attention is solicited -

Most Sincerely Yours,

Edmund Carleton